



Gantz Road Community Garden

Anticipated Frequently Asked Questions For Gantz Road Community Garden

- Q. Where is the Gantz Road Community Garden located?
A. The garden is located at the intersection of Gantz and Frank Roads, on Columbus' near southwest side.
Directions. From I-71, exit Frank Road. Proceed west on Frank Road. Turn left onto Frank. Follow Frank approx 2 miles to Gantz Road. Turn left onto Gantz. The first right is the entrance to the property. The garden and parking lot are on the immediate right.
- Q. What are the purposes of the Gantz Road Community Garden?
A. *Preserving green space.* Community gardens add to the acreage of parks and other means, while allowing the land to be used in a productive manner.

Support food banks. Community gardens often help supply local food pantries. Fresh produce is always in high demand, and a portion of the food grown at each garden could be directed to food banks in the immediate vicinity.

Helping Those In Need. There is a critical need for improved nutrition in low-income communities. Access to fresh produce in these areas remains a challenge, and it is often the case that residents must travel significant distances to obtain it. Efforts can be made to connect low-income residents and food from community gardens.

- Q. When will garden plots be assigned?
A. Requests will be honored and plots will be determined by a lottery system. Gardeners will be contacted beginning Thursday, April 1. The garden will open on April 17, 2010, depending on ground and weather conditions.
- Q. What is included in my garden plot assignment and what am I responsible for providing myself?
A. Included in plot assignment:
 - Garden plot(s) for use during the 2010 growing season.
 - Access during daylight hours
 - On-site water access for use in gardenGardeners are responsible for providing:
 - Tools
 - Hoses
 - Plants & seeds
 - Other gardening materials

- Q. Will there be storage on-site?
 - A. No. You must take your tools and hoses with you when you leave the garden site.

- Q. What do I do if an emergency arises?
 - A. Garden will be open from dawn until dusk. It is recommended that gardeners keep a cell phone close at hand. If the immediate assistance arises, call 911.

- Q. When will I be able to access my garden plot?
 - A. The Gantz Road Community Garden will be open to participating gardeners from dawn to dusk seven days a week.

- Q. Who do I contact for questions and assistance?
 - A. A Garden Coordinator will be regularly available at the garden, though the schedule is not yet finalized. To contact the Garden Coordinator call 614-462-3322.

- Q. Do I have to have gardening experience to have a plot?
 - A. No. Beginners are encouraged to utilize the excellent gardening resources available in Columbus through either the Ohio State University Extension Master Gardener Program or Franklin Park Conservatory. Gardening classes covering a range of topics are available for interested parties.

- Q. Am I allowed to sell the produce that I grow?
 - A. Absolutely.